



Entrepreneur's Tax Credit

Legislative Hearing on Raised Bill No. 5435

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Active Angel Investor

Mary Anne Rooke

Managing Director, Angel Investor Forum Active Angel in CT for 4 years

Background:

Born, raised & schooled in CT Moved out of CT to start business career Boston - 5 years Silicon Valley - 20 years Financial & management roles: Auditor to CFO Public & private business Start-ups to Fortune 500 companies



Active Angel Investor

Liddy Karter

Managing Director, Karter Capital Advisors, Ilc Director and founder of Angel Investor Forum, Chair Public Policy Comm. Angel Capital Assoc.

Background:

Director of Innovation Pipeline Accelerator A program of the CT Technology Council sponsored by the

CFO of CT based, VC backed, software co, sold to NCR CEO of CT based, Angel backed, environmental co, sold to waste company

Investment Banker: Morgan Stanley

Yale MBA, Columbia B.A.



Active Angel Investor

Angel Investors are a key ingredient needed to stimulate and build an active & vibrant Entrepreneurial Community.

CT is not a leader in helping early stage business grow & stay in CT

CT does not yet have a strong Angel investment community

Angel Investor Forum is building the Angel Investor network in CT

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Strongly Support Bill #323

Bill as written is fine Only change would be to have an independent third party, not CI, evaluate the effectiveness of the credit annually. Excellent to combine the sidecar fund and the SBIR support within the same organization as these will work collaboratively.

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Leverage Private Capital

National Angel Investing status **Angel Investor Forum** Wisconsin Model Ohio Model Lerner Roadmap CT Roadmap for Job growth

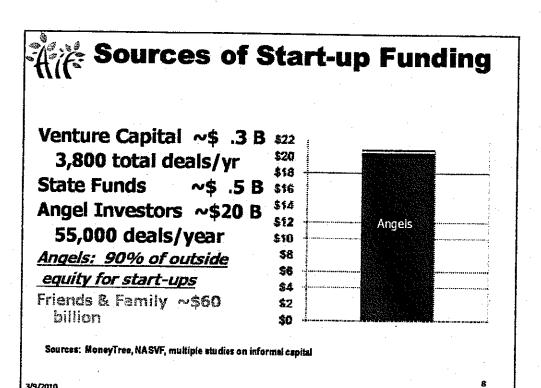


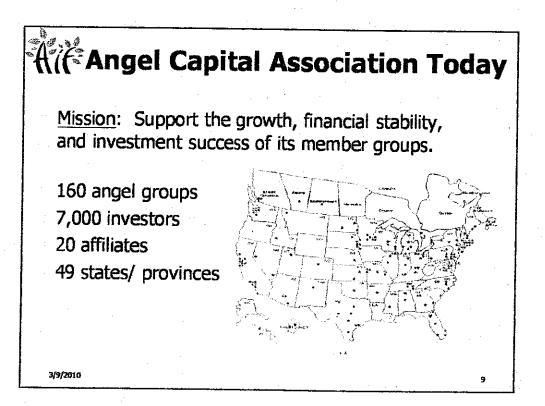
HAIL THE JOB CREATORS

From 1980 to 2005, firms less than five years old accounted for ALL net job growth in the United States.

> **Business Dynamics Statistics** Briefing: Jobs Created from Business Start-ups in the United States, January, 2009.









Angel Investor Forum Today

Investor Cluster Locations: Hartford / New Haven / Stamford

> 68 Active membership 52 Paid Members 15 new members in 2009 3 new members in 2010

Plus Prospective Members, Sponsors & Advisors



Portfolio Summary

AIF members have directly invested over \$4 million in 28 deals since Nov 2004.

Over \$30 million invested by others alongside those investors.

134 jobs created with 84 jobs in CT

Sectors range from consumer products, IT to biotech

2 successful exits, both sales to larger companies.

2 failures

CAGR exceeds 50% for remaining portfolio

Cost to State of CT: \$0



Alf's Sponsors and Affiliates

Cash Sponsors:

Foley Hoag, Boston Based Law Firm Hinckley Allen & Snyder, Boston Based Law Firm CT Innovations

In Kind Sponsors

CT Technology Council

CT Center for Advanced Technology

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Accounting Resources Inc

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AlF's Challenges

Cash to pay for an Executive Director Operating in a vacuum in an uncoordinated environment

Watching entrepreneurs go elsewhere Watching capital flow to NY and Boston



ि Other State's Angel Stimulus

- Tax Credits: Wisconsin Example
 - Stimulates membership in Angel Groups
 - http://www.angelcapitalassociation.org/dir_resources/sta te_policy_issues.aspx
 - http://www.wisconsinangelnetwork.com/uploads/uploads /2009%20Wis%20Portfolio%20web.pdf
 - Side car funds: Ohio example
 - Pays for Administrative staff through 2% fees
 - www.bioenterprise.com

See: www.angelcapitalassociation.org.

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WAN - Membership

Angel Networks Angel and Early Stage Funds Venture Funds Corporate Strategic Partners

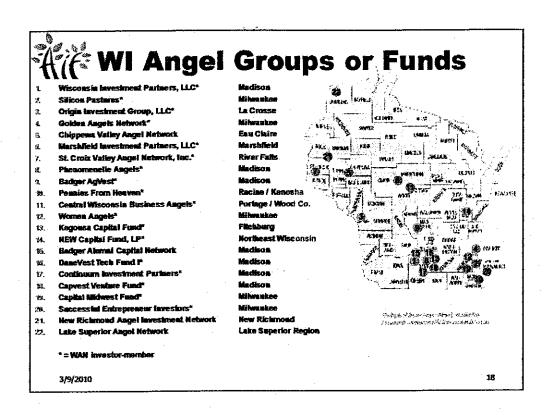
- -Members have access to Deal-flow Pipeline
- -Currently there are 28 investor-member organizations
- -Representing over 250 individual investors, funds with hundreds of millions
- -Members listed at WAN website

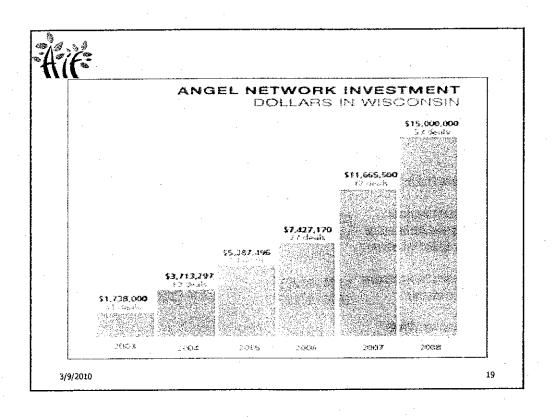
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Wisconsin Act 255: Tax Credits

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Income Tax Credit:	Angel Investment 25% (per investment) (12.5% per year - 2 yrs)	Early Stage Seed Investment Fund 25% (per investment)
Effective Date:	January 1, 2005	January 1, 2005
Maximum Annual Aggregate Amount of Tax Credits Per Year:	\$3.0 M (2005) \$18.25M (2011)	\$3.5 M (2005) \$18.75M (2011)
Maximum Investment Per Company:	\$1 M (2005) \$8 M (2011)	\$3 M (2005) \$8 M (2011)
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Entrepreneurship Roadmap

Read:

"Boulevard of Broken Dreams Why Public Efforts to Boost Entrepreneurship and Venture Capital HAVE FAILED - and What to DO about it."

--by Josh Lerner, Professor Harvard **Business School**

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Hir Lerner Roadmap

Create a supportive entrepreneurial environment Enable local academic and scientific resource sharing

Let the market provide direction

Avoid over-engineering

Expect long lead times

Size the program for effectiveness

Institutionalize tracking and evaluations

Maintain flexibility



CT Entrepreneurship Roadmap – Efforts to date:

Create a supportive entrepreneurial environment R&D Tax Credit

Enable local academic and scientific resource sharing

UConn IP Law Clinic and Innovation Accelerator Let the market provide direction Avoid over-engineering Expect long lead times Size the program for effectiveness

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CT Entrepreneurship **Roadmap Next Step:**

Implement a 25% Entrepreneur's Tax Credit Allocate \$5MM for a side car fund to invest alongside angel groups

This creates the fee income required to support an Executive Director to develop more angel investing activity

Creates the opportunity for returns to the State Historical returns are 26% IRR

Encourages other corporate leaders to invest



Thank you

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